Pleasant Hill Housing Element Appendix D-1: Typical Residential Development Review

Action	Procedure	Time Period	Comments
1. Application	Architectural Review,	Start of Process	The Use Permit is
Filed	Development Plan, Use		required only for
	Permit and Subdivision.		reduced parking.
2. Route	Distribute the Plans to	15 working days	
Applications	other Agencies and	(three weeks).	
for Review	Departments.		
3. CEQA	Staff Review for	During the 20 day	Most projects are
Determination	consistency with the	Routing period.	exempt because
	CEQA Guidelines.		they are infill
			projects of less than
			5 acres.
4. Architectural	The Commission will	35 days (five	This review will
Review	review the project prior	weeks).	proceed prior to the
Commission	to the Planning		completion of
	Commission.		CEQA.
5. Planing	Following the required	21 days (three	The Architectural
Commission	CEQA review, the	weeks). Includes	Review comments
Review	Planning Commission	legal noticing of 10	must be presented to
	holds a hearing on the	days.	the Commission.
	Development Plan,		
	Subdivision and Use		
	Permit (if requested).		
6. Appeal	Appeal to the City	The Zoning	
	Council.	Ordinance requires	
		the City Council to	
		hear the appeal	
		within 30 days.	
7. Final Map	Action by the City	30 days after the	
	Council on the final Map.	applicant submits	
		the final map to	
		staff.	

The Review process takes between 10 and 14 weeks. The process can have some concurrency and CEQA is reduced to the minimum required by state law to achieve these time periods.

Pleasant Hill Housing Element Appendix D-2: City Residential Approval Procedures

Generalized Requirements for Single-family and Multifamily

Type of Permit	Applies to:	Public Hearing Required?	Comments
Architectural Review.	All single-family and Multifamily	No	Discretionary. ARC can modify, approve or deny, subject to appeal to City Council.
Subdivision, Minor (4 or fewer parcels).	Single-family and Multifamily	Yes	Heard by the Zoning Administrator, is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the Planning Commission.
Subdivision, Major (5 or more parcels, including condos, townhouses, attached units, and single-family detached).	Single-family and Multifamily	Yes	Heard by the Planning Commission, is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the City Council.
Use Permit – Mult ifamily zoned property. (Required only when reducing parking below standards established in Section 35-17.4, PHMC.)	Multifamily	Yes	Heard by the Planning Commission, is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the City Council.
Use Permit – Single-family zoned property.	Single -family	Yes	Heard by the Zoning Administrator, is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the Planning Commission.
Variances – Multifamily zoned property.	Multifamily	Yes	Heard by the Planning Commission is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the City Council.
Variances – Single-family zoned property.	Single -family	Yes	Heard by the Zoning Administrator, is Discretionary, and is subject to appeal to the Planning Commission.
Development Plans – Planned Unit Developments.	Single -family and Multifamily	Yes	Planned Unit Developments require that Development Plans be approved at the time of rezoning. NOTE: Neither Single-family nor Multifamily zoned properties require Development Plans.
Lot Line Adjustment.	Single -family and Multifamily	No	Ministerial.